(c) whether any report has been obtained from the State Government in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details therof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT (CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) During the current year no such proposal has been received.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

Non-completion of Saurashtra Wells by Essar Limited

146. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item carried by Indian Express on October 29, 1996 that Oil India Limited entered into a contract with a Mumbai-based company Essar Limited for turn-key drilling of three wells in Saurashtra and one well in the Mahnadi Basin;

(b) whether it is a fact that despite advance payment of rupees 70 crores, the company has failed to fulfil the stipulations for completing the three Saurashtra wells; and

(c) what arrangements Oil India Limited is contemplating to recover the money?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Yes, Sir. The news item appeared in the Telegraph dated 29.10.96.

(b) and (c) The payments made by Oil India Ltd. in respect of mobilisation charges and part of the jobs completed for the three Saurashtra wells is Rs. 52.92 crores and no advance payment of Rs. 70 crores has been made to the contractor. The contract has been terminated on 12.10.96 and performance guarantee invoked. However, the contractor has obtained an injunction from the Court and the decision of the Court is awaited.

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों को स्थापित करने के प्रस्ताव

147. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:** क्या खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग स्थापित करने के लिए कितने प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) सरकार द्वारा कितने प्रस्तावों को मंजूरी दी गई है;

(ग) किन-किन राज्यों से प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुए हैं और इनमें किस-किस प्रकार के उद्योग स्थापित किए जाने हैं; और

(घ) इसके परिणाम स्वरूप कितने व्यक्तियों को रोजगार मिलने की संभावना है?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री दिलीप कुमार राय): (क) से (घ) पिछले तीन वर्षों (93-94, 94-95 और 95-96) के दौरान खाद्य प्रसंस्करण क्षेत्र में कुल 1,555 औद्योगिक उद्यमी ज्ञापन पेश किए गए जिनमें अधिकांश को खाद्य उत्पादों के लिए औद्योगिक लाइसेंस की जरूरत नहीं पड़ती। इसी तरह इसी अवधि के दौरान सरकार ने संयुक्त उद्यम, शत-प्रतिशत निर्यातोन्मुखी यूनिटों और विदेशी सहयोग के लिए 612 प्रस्तावों को अनुमोदन प्रदान किया। इन औद्योगिक उद्यमी ज्ञापनों और अनुमोदनों से 3.71 लाख लोगों को प्रत्यक्ष रोजगार मिलेगा।

अनाज और अनाज आधारित उत्पादों, फल तथा सब्जी उत्पादों, दूध तथा दूध उत्पादों, मछली प्रसंस्करण और एक्वाकल्चर, उपभोक्ता उद्योग, मांस तथा मांस उत्पाद आदि जैसे विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण यूनिटों की स्थापना संबंधी प्रस्ताव अधिकांश राज्यों से प्राप्त हुए हैं।

Fast Track Power Projects in Andhra Pradesh

148. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the three fast track power projects in Andhra Pradesh at Jegurupadu, Kakinada and Visakhapatnam;

(b) the target for completion of the projects; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken to persuade for timely completion of the projects by private investors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) Jegurupadu TPS (216 MW) of M/s GVK Industries and

Kakinada TPS (208 MW) of M/s Spectrum Power Generation Limited are under construction. Visakhapatnam TPS (1040 MW) of M/s Hinduja Power Corporation Limited has been cleared by CEA from techno-economic angle and the work on the project is expected to commence after achieving financial closure.

(b) Target dates for the completion of the above projects as inducated by the Companies are:

(i) Jegurupadu Powe Project—May '97 (two GTs of 45.8 MW each already commissioned)

(ii) Kakinada Power Project—July '97

(iii) Visakhapatnam Project—44 months after Financial Closing.

(c) Governmnt of India are closely monitoring all the private power projects including the above projects with a view to remove bottle necks if any, in early execution of the projects.

Sale of Adulterated Mobil Oil

149. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that adulterated mobil oil is being sold in the country;

(b) is so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of persons arrested by Government in this regard and the action taken against them; and

(d) the effective steps taken by Government to check sale of adulterated mobil oil in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) No complaints regarding the sale of adulterated Mobil Oil in the country have been received by the Government.

However, during 1995-96, a total number of 3457 Lube samples have been drawn by the Oil Industry, out of which 131 samples have failed to met the specifications, wherein act on has been initiated as per the provisions of Marketing Discipline Guidelines against the concerned dealers.

(d) To ensure that no adulterated Mobil Oil is marketed through Retail Outlets, the Oil Industry conducts surprise as well as regular checks at the Retail Outlets and draws samples for test purposes. In respect of samples not conforming to the specifications action under Marketing Discipline Guidelines is taken.

Employment under JRY in Gujarat

150. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in a recent study of JRY in Gujarat, it has been revealed that the Yojana did not provide employment to the extent expected in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what remedial measures Government propose to initiate in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) to (c) No specific study exclusively for Gujarat for review of the progress of implementation of JRY has been conducted by this Ministry or by Gujarat recently. However, the concurrent evaluation study of JRY has been taken up by this ministry through various reputed organisations/ institutions during 1992-93. The main findings of the implementation of JRY in Gujarat State are:—

(1) A large No. panchayats Chiefs, 48.90% were not given any training for the implementation of JRY.

(2) The wege component to the total expenditure was much less 43.88%.

(3) In 39.68% of works, the delay was due to shortage of funds.

(4) In 40.22% of the cases, the priodicity of payment of wage to JRY workers was not regular.

The aforesaid findings were communicated to the State Govt. of Gujarat to take appropriate corrective measures.

During the Eight Plan period (upto end of 1995-96) about 935.57 lakh mandays of employment have been generated under JRY with an expenditure of Rs. 470.34 crores.